In re Patent Application of: Dennis A. Carson et al.

Title:

THIAZOLOPYRIMIDINES USEFUL AS THE ALPHA INHIBITORS

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## STATUS INQUIRY

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

The above-identified patent application was filed on May 17, 1999. Applicants filed a CPA and Information Disclosure Statement along with a Petition to Withdraw from Issue on October 16, 2000. Applicants have not received any further communication from the Patent Office, since the communication granting the Petition to Withdraw from Issue dated October 20, 2000, copy enclosed.

We have attempted to determine the status of this application on numerous occasions via telephone but have not been successful. After a lack of response to the CPA, filed on October 16, 2000, our Paralegal, Sarah Reinhard, initially contacted Examiner Richard Raymond on June 7, 2001. The Examiner indicated the file had been sent to Repository on October 20, 2000, that PALM (An internal USPTO network for tracking cases and files) had the file marked as lost as of November 2000, and a search was begun. He also advised that the file was flagged for a petition in January 2001. However, the file was still marked as lost and he suggested that we inquire with the Petitions branch to see if the file was there. Ms. Reinhard contacted a clerk, Sonja, in the Petitions Branch on June 12, 2001 and July, 11, 2001. The clerk indicated both times that the file had not been found. On July 17, 2001, Ms. Reinhard was directed to Margaret Stevens, Technical Supper Supervisor TC 1600/2900. Ms. Reinhard has contacted Ms. Stevens and left voice mail messages, but has still been unable to resolve the status of this file and the pending CPA.

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Kindly inform us as to the status of this application, directing such notice to the attention of the below-signed attorney for Applicant.

Respectfully submitted,

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A return postcard.

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Please consider this a PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME for sufficient number of months to enter these papers and please charge any additional required fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

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